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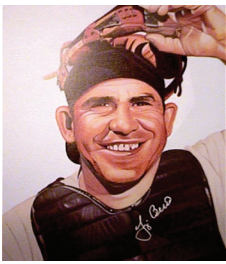
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Armed Robbery at La Quinta Alarms Student Residents

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After the armed robbery at LaQuinta Inn earlier this month, students living in the hotel are questioning the safety of the hall. The Clifton Police Department arrested two men on Friday, Feb. 5 at around 12 a.m. for allegedly robbing two Ohio women at the Inn, according to Lieutenant Kieran Barrett of the University Police Department. Some students said they did not know about the robbery

and expressed mixed feelings on the safety of La Quinta. "I think they should've told us about the robbery," junior Emily Wolvin said. "I didn't even know when it happened. I feel safe though."

VIDEO: Students who live at La Quinta share how safe they feel living there.

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We always lock our door at night. "I would feel safer living in

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Jillian Keats | The Montclarion

Students at the La Quinta Inn have mixed feelings about the safety of the hotel. In the beginning of the month, there was a violent armed robbery which landed a woman in the hospital. No students were near where the robbery took place, nor were students involved.


Commuters, How Deep Are Your Pockets? Students Share Problems with Financing for School

Danielle Mancuso
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When a typical tab at Café Diem runs \$5.50 for a toasted cinnamon bagel with cream cheese and with the ever rising prices of gas costs, about \$27 for regular gas, commuters should be aware of the money spent each week. Students at Montclair State University are led to believe that commuting back and forth to school is cheaper than living on campus. However,

with the price of gas, food and a parking pass, commuting may be getting close to the cost of room and board. It is essential that students break down the cost each semester, being that 80 percent of the school commutes. If a student spends \$15 a day on food, it will cost \$300 a month, and \$2,700 a year to eat. This student will spend nearly \$5,000 on food and gas alone. The concept of commuting being cheap no longer seems to fit. "I spend at least \$60 on gas

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RIME ON CAMPUS: THEFT INCREASES

Nicole Simonetti
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Montclair State University's most prominent crime on campus for the present school year is theft. Students residing on campus are not the only ones at risk, commuters are as well. Lieutenant Kieran Barrett said the number of thefts reported has totaled to 234 in 2009-2010, resulting in an increase from last year. Twenty-six burglary reports, where an actual break-in has taken place, have also been reported. While laptops, gaming systems and other electronics are common items to be stolen, the most reported thefts have been parking hangtags. Lieutenant Barrett believes the theft of hangtags is "on the rise." Due to the fact that parking hangtags are the most popular thing to steal, commuters are vulnerable to theft as well. Even though Barrett confirmed theft as the most occurring crime on campus,

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A Voice for Latin America: Professor Travels to Guatemala to Film Radio Journalist and Her Journey in Helping Guatemalan Journalists

Kulsoom Rizvi
NEWS EDITOR

Beverly Peterson, a broadcasting professor at Montclair, went to a small village

VIDEO: Footage containing clips of Professor Beverly Peterson's documentary on journalists in Guatemala.

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outside of a town in Guatemala where Hurricane Stan devastated the villages back in 2005. Mudslides washed out whole towns and people. While Peterson was filming a testimony of a woman whose husband was killed during the mudslide, she noticed a whole line of people waiting to share their stories.

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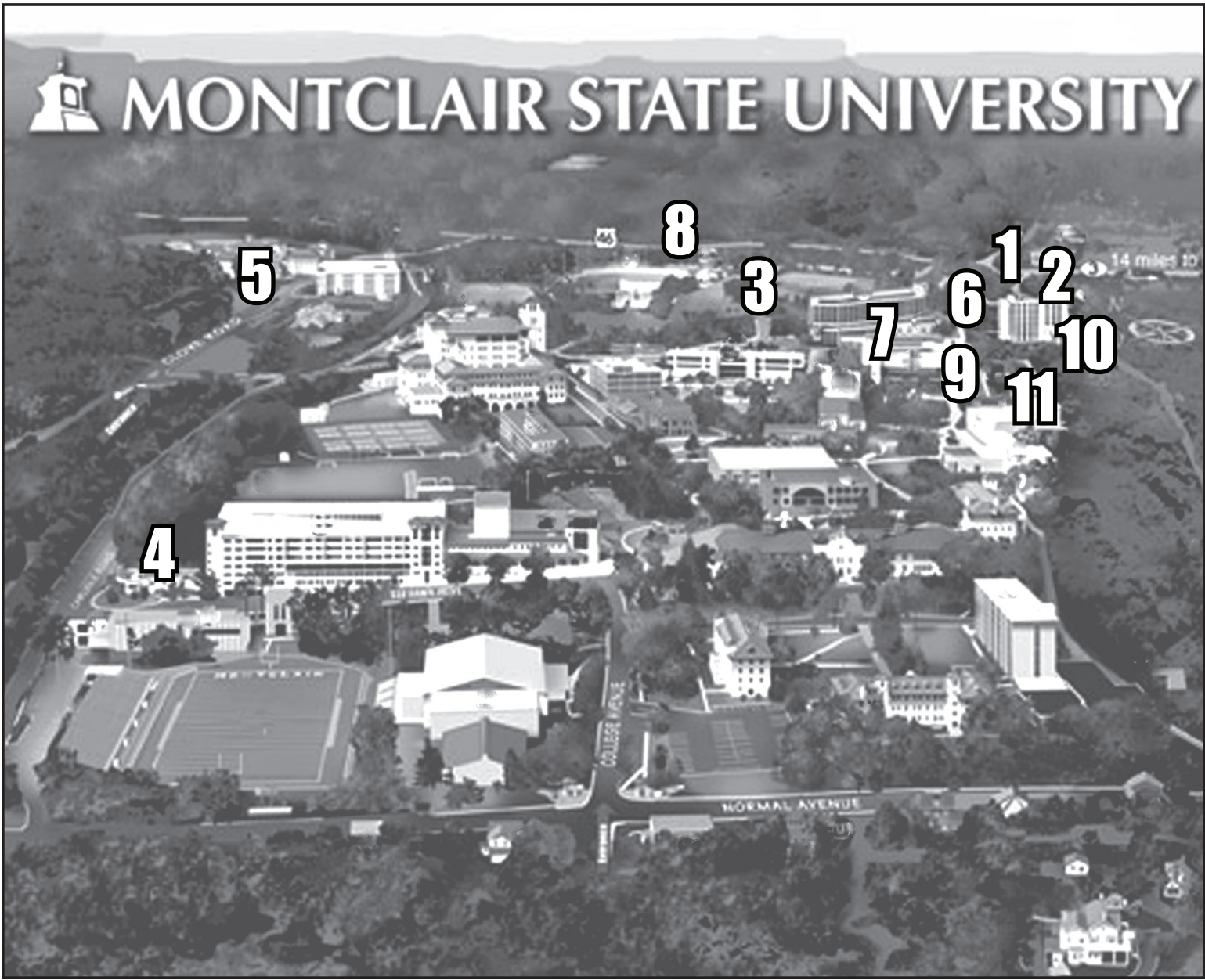
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Pelican Police Report



- 1 On Feb. 16: A student reported the theft of his wallet while in Bohn Hall.
- 2 On Feb. 17: Michael Pesca was charged with aggravated assault, an act of domestic violence, while in Bohn Hall.
- 3 On Feb. 18: Eric Dotoli was charged with contempt of a court order and harassment while on the campus of Montclair State University.
- 4 On Feb. 18: A student reported the theft of her parking hangtag from her unsecured vehicle parked in Lot 28.
- 5 On Feb. 20: Criminal mischief damage to a door was discovered in Fenwick Hall.
- 6 On Feb. 20: MSUPD responded to a false public alarm in Bohn Hall.
- 7 On Feb. 21: Viraj Desai was charged with underage consumption of alcohol and disorderly conduct while in Blanton Hall.
- 8 On Feb. 22: A student reported being harassed via a public social networking site. Victim has refused to press criminal charges.
- 9 On Feb. 22: A student reported the theft of his laptop computer left unsecured in his residence in Bohn Hall.
- 10 On Feb. 22: A student reported the theft of his laptop computer and iPod from his residence in Bohn Hall.
- 11 On Feb. 23: John Macaluso and Dalton Dudash were charged with underage consumption of alcohol and disorderly conduct while in Bohn Hall.

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station from any campus phone at T-I-P-S (8477). All calls are strictly confidential.

SGA Notes

-On March 1, there will be a flag raising ceremony for Women's History month.

-Sign the petition to stop the

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Christie Makes the CUTS

Katherine Milsop
OPINION EDITOR

In an effort to fill the state's \$2.2 billion budget hole, Gov. Chris Christie's recent series of proposed budget cuts to both NJ Transit and public higher education may potentially force Montclair State students to pay more out of pocket for public transportation and school fees.

The state subsidizes NJ Transit with \$296 million during the current fiscal year. Christie proposes to withhold \$32.7 million from the budget. For commuters, this could mean fare increases of approximately 20 to 30 percent.

Diana Kettle, a senior, uses trains for her daily commute to campus. "I go from South Orange to Newark Broad Street and then to Montclair State University," she said. "It's not a long commute, just a headache sometimes with the transfer."

Kettle's student monthly pass is \$45, compared to a regular monthly pass, which is \$60. She used to buy tickets, but noticed that she only came to campus three times a week

last year. Still, she paid about \$42 for tickets every month.

Kettle, whose parents also use trains to commute to their jobs in New York City, worries about the effects the proposed cuts will have on student pass prices.

"I hope the [student monthly pass] price doesn't go up ... It's just another item to put on my list of financial problems," Kettle said.

Amy Weber, a freshman who also takes the train from South Orange, worries that the state may take away stops.

"A lot of people use the South Orange station, but since it's a local stop, it might be considered less important than, say, New York Penn Station or Newark Broad Street, which are transfer stations," Weber said. "I want to know how the state is deciding all of this."

According to Dan Stessel, a spokesman for NJ Transit, service decisions are still pending.

"No decisions have been made on the fare proposal as of yet in regard to service," he said. "We're working on that now. We'll have a detailed plan for public comment in the next two weeks or so."

QUICK FACTS

- Montclair State University's mid-year budget cut was approximately \$2.7 million.
- The state assists NJ Transit with \$296 million during the current fiscal year.

Stessel added that ways to reduce expenses and specific locations and dates for public hearing on the matter will be posted on NJ Transit's website.

In addition to cuts to public transportation, Christie announced his plans to cut operating aid to public higher education by \$62.1 million.

During his campaign, Christie noted that N.J. ranks in the lowest three states for higher education funding and that aid to universities could get worse before it improves.

President Susan Cole said that Montclair State University's portion of the mid-year budget cut was approximately \$2.7 million. A cut that she said, was not "wholly unanticipated."

"We were prepared to address the cut with funds from salary

savings that accrue when people retire or leave their jobs ... and with funds that we set aside for just such a contingency," Cole said. "Students should not see any effect from the immediate cut this year."

David Josephson, director of the university's budget and planning, said that tuition rates for this year are already set.

"This year, we'll be able to use existing aid to make sure it does not affect student tuition rates this year," Josephson said.

President Cole emphasized Christie's plan to make higher education in the state a priority.

"The higher education community needs to intensify its efforts to advocate for the importance of a sound and future-oriented plan to meet the higher education needs of the people of New Jersey," Cole said.

Q&A with Executive Director of Budget and Planning DAVID JOSEPHSON

Kulsoom Rizvi
NEWS EDITOR

Q: Christie previously said, "Our solution does not take one penny from an approved school instructional budget. Not one dime out of the classroom." Will that be the case with higher education?

A: The leaders of the state colleges and universities — the board of trustees, the presidents and senior staff — will implement any budget cuts, and their priority will be the students' needs, particularly maintaining academic programs.

Q: Since MSU does not receive much state support to begin with, how much will these cuts affect the students and faculty?

A: Given the state's difficult financial situation, the university has been anticipating that there would be cuts forthcoming this fiscal year. To manage the mid-year budget cut, the university will utilize savings from existing staff vacancies and will carefully evaluate the need to fill vacant positions going forward. All required faculty positions will continue to be filled. The university hopes to minimize any impact of the cuts on students and faculty.

Q: What's our share of the reduction?

A: Public higher education was cut \$62.1 million, and the state colleges and universities together were cut \$17 million. MSU was cut by \$2.7 million.

Q: What new sources of revenue will need to be implemented, if any?

A: The university continuously explores new sources of revenue, including grants, fundraising and revenue generating programs.

Q: What is the chance for the school's tuition to increase?

A: Tuition will not be increased in the current academic year. For next year, we not yet know what level of support we will receive from the state. The university will hold a tuition hearing on campus in April, and students will be able to participate in the hearing to express their views.

Q: What could MSU expect to see in the next few years with funding for higher education? Christie said he "intends to raise New Jersey's investment in higher education during his first term and stop the over-reliance on tuition and fees to make up for lack of state support." Do you see that happening in the near future, even with the cuts?

A: We are cautiously optimistic. We believe the governor is sincere in his goal to raise public higher education as a policy priority. We are working closely with him, the lieutenant governor and the governor's staff to reach that goal.

Q: Is there anything else you wish to address?

A: We are working closely with the governor to identify and cut red tape — in the form of unfunded state mandates and restrictive laws and regulations — that keep public colleges and universities from operating as effectively and efficiently as possible. We are confident that we will see some real progress on this issue in the months ahead.



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every week and about \$10-12 on food a day,” senior Chris Stroud said.

Stroud will spend \$240 a month on gas. It will cost nearly \$2,160 just to get back and forth to class Monday through Friday during a nine-month academic year.

“I really do feel that it is important for the school to help students learn how to budget their commuting expenses. More students need to know how much it will cost to commute than how much it costs to live on campus,” MSU graduate Ashley Davidson said, “I commuted for five years to Montclair and ended up having to take out a loan. Financial planning is something students really need to be aware of.”

The prices for food are determined annually on Aug. 1 by a contract, produced by the Bureau of Labor and Statistics, involving Montclair State University and Sodexo. It is tied to the Consumer Pricing Index (CPI) and Producer Pricing Index (PPI).

Since 2003, an average price increase for food was be three percent, decided by CPI/PPI. However, for two years out of the past seven, the prices remained grounded.

This was the decision of MSU while CPI/PPI was at 3.5 percent. The only time the prices of the Red Hawk Diner and catering rose was the summer of 2008.

Prices are expensive because they are competitively priced and simply continue to increase.

“It's really not possible [to lower the prices],” Director of Auxiliary Services Andrew Pignataro said, “The price of food, utilities, gas, oil, paper, equipment, labor, health care, etc., go up every day. The food prices are adjusted just once per year. Milk could go up 20 percent over the course of a year, yet the price at MSU must remain the same until next August.”

However, Pignataro also adds that students do have a say, “Dining Services and MSU speak with the stu-

dents daily. The Liaison of Dining Services, Executive Chef and General Manager also attend Dining Committee meetings, perform surveys, speak with the SGA president and hold focus groups to keep our finger on the pulse of the students and their needs. Students are my number one priority.”

Another added expense commuters face is a parking pass. To obtain a pass for the year, it will cost students anywhere from \$190-340. The general lot pass, being the cheapest at \$190, does not even guarantee a spot for students.

Currently, the campus does not have enough parking spaces for all the undergraduates and faculty members.

Students and faculty may opt to buy the more expensive pass, which is \$340, to park at the Red Hawk Deck on campus to secure a parking spot daily.

“I really don't understand how I am a commuter at school, and it costs me \$340 to park. I think it's ridiculous that the university charges that much, considering this is a commuter school,” senior Rachel Wall said.

Though it seems like the parking pass has some bad reviews, freshman Autumn Turner stated the positive side of the subject, “I think it is better to have a parking pass to be able to come and go if you have a class every day rather than spending \$4 going in and out of the parking deck.”

With the economy continuing its downward spiral, it is important for students to learn how to budget and where they can save money. Most students are still struggling to figure out their monthly expenses as well as other bills. In order to keep students ahead, just as the university plans to do academically, financial knowledge is becoming a greater need to the community.

However, not all students are suffering financially. “I believe that



Stefanie Sears | *The Montclarion*

Senior Chris Kopitar, a commuter, said prices for him vary every day, and he spends too much to begin with.

QUICK FACTS

Food prices are expensive because they are competitively priced, and the price of food, utilities, gas, oil, paper equipment, labor and health care simply continue to increase.

MSU is still an affordable school. I take my car, so it's cool. MSU is reasonable and affordable, unless it's the books!” sophomore John O'Reilly said.

“I don't spend as much. I became more careful with it as I matured,” senior Chris Kopitar said. “Prices vary from day to day. MSU is still affordable for the decent education you get.”

A low-down of Chris's spending is as follows: Five-dollar sandwich and coffee from C-Store, coffee everyday for \$1.60, \$20 a week to fill his gas tank and a parking pass costing

around \$130 for both semesters.

Financial Advisor, Marc Mancuso, gave advice on the best ways to save money on campus.

“Simple things like bringing lunch to school, or waking up 10 minutes earlier to make breakfast really add up. Seventy-five dollars per week on food can be reduced to \$25 per week by only buying a snack or drink on campus. Take time out to look at a bus schedule. I commute back and forth to the city by bus everyday, because it saves me hundreds of dollars a month on gas, parking and tolls.”



Jillian Keats | *The Montclarion*

Students have noticed that several of the tiles by the Student Center have been loose for a few years.

Loose Tiles By Student Center Planned to Be Fixed This Year

The tiles above the Student Center Annex will be fixed during the summer of this year, according to Vice President of University Facilities Greg Bressler.

Bressler said he has not heard any complaints concerning the loose tiles. While the the budget was being put together for this year, the project to fix the tiles was included, he said. The designs for it are almost completed.

Students have noticed while walking from the shuttle bus stop by the Red Hawk Diner to the handicap entrance of the Student Center that some tiles were loose as they walked over them.

Sophomore Tracy Young said she tripped while walking on the loose tiles.

"Some of them move up when you walk on them, and I tripped several times coming that way," she said. "They were like that last year too. It's a big safety hazard."

--Reporting by Kulsoom Rizvi



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pus “by far,” he thinks students can do something about it. “Thefts are generally preventable by simply securing items,” Barrett said.

While Montclair State’s Police Department wants to put a stop to the problem of theft and burglary, there really is only so much they can do. Lieutenant Barrett said that the solution of theft “is a tough one.”

Barrett believes that students could do things to bring a stop to Montclair State’s theft problem. “Lock your doors, secure your items of value, and know who you have had in your room.”

MSU’s Police Department works hand-in-hand with the New Student Experience program to inform students of the precautions to take. Lieutenant Barrett said that a lot of thefts occur during the first semester to the incoming freshman.

“They are in a new and different environment,” he said.

Along with giving informative speeches, MSU police officers often

perform “spot checks.” These “spot checks” are performed in the campus’ residence halls to see if any doors are left unlocked. If so, the residents are approached and forewarned of the dangers of leaving their rooms unsecured.

While the number of thefts has increased over the years, so has the number of reports. Actually filing a report allows the “police to get involved in the crime,” said Lieutenant Barrett.

If a crime is not reported, students are deprived of the help of higher authorities.

“My challenge to freshman and their parents at Freshman Orientation is to put me out of a job, but crime and helping individuals in need will be prevalent for some time,” Lieutenant Barrett stated. For those who are in need or would like to report a crime can contact MSU Police Department by dialing (973) 655-5222, or stop in the police department located next to the Red Hawk Deck.

QUICK FACT

In 2008, there were 26 theft-related incidents reported compared to the 234 theft-related reports last year.



Jillian Keats | The Montclarion
Some students said they enjoy living at the La Quinta because of the services they receive, but others would feel safer living on campus.

the village. Last semester [I heard] there was a pimp living on the first floor. At least in the village it's all college students," junior Kristen Jordan said. "There was a car next to mine [in the parking lot], and the window was smashed open, and the GPS was missing. How are you going to keep us here when all these things happened?"

Junior Jerry Yanavok commented about the lack of security, and other car thefts.

"Seven cars stolen. They had a notice on the front desk that was basically a warning, and telling us that they're not liable. Other than that they didn't tell us they had people rotating the lot or anything," he said.

Lieutenant Barrett commented that there were no resident students

either involved, present or staying in this room or involved with either the suspects or victims.

“This was an isolated incident

“There was a car next to mine [in the parking lot] and the window was smashed open and the GPS was missing. How are you going to keep us here when all these things happened?”

Kristen Jordan
Junior

New Public Safety Building in Near Future

Nicole Simonetti
NEWS EDITOR

A new Police Department safety building is currently in the works as a new addition to campus. Plans will not be set until a definite location has been chosen.

According to the map on the Capital Master Plan, the tentative location of the new building is located where the current maintenance building is.

Vice President of University Facilities Greg Bressler said a new maintenance building would have to be constructed first in order to build the public safety building in that location.

Bressler commented that the university is currently looking at the

option of renovating a portion of Russ Hall.

The new building will “make officers feel more like a part of the community,” according to Lieutenant Kieran Barrett.

The current location of Montclair State’s safety building, by the Red Hawk Deck in the front of the campus, is very inaccessible. It is on the complete opposite side of campus from many of the residence halls.

A new safety building has not been built since 1993, so the main change of the building is to expand. There has been an increase of officers working there, and the evolution of technology has also taken a toll.

When Lieutenant Barrett first started working for MSUPD 12 years ago, there were only eight officers; there are now 32 officers.

La Quinta

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“Not all the students live on the same floor, but they try to keep us as close as possible.”

Emily Wolvin
Junior

that was violent in nature so the [Montclair State University Police Department] is working with the Clifton Police Department, Residential Education and Services and hotel management to review if there was any lapse in safety for resident students or precautions that may be taken to safeguard students,” Barrett said.

Vice President for Student Development and Campus Life Karen Pennington would not comment when asked when the university found out about the robbery incident and what is being done to ensure safety for the student residents living in La Quinta. The La Quinta Community Director would not comment either.

Junior Emily Wolvin said that not all of the students live next to each other, and it bothers her that hotel guests live next to students.

"Not all the students live on the same floor, but they try to keep us as close as possible," she said.

Barrett added that this type of crime was “unusual and specific in nature” and not typical of the LaQuinta living environment.

“Residents in all locations should always be vigilant in who they invite as guests and reporting suspicious behavior at the moment it is occurring,” Barrett said.

The men charged were Alexi Macuilt, 32, of East Rutherford, and Jaime Santos Jr., 25, of Rahway, with kidnapping, robbery, aggravated assault, theft and illegal possession of a firearm.

Both Macuilt and Santos met the women at the hotel just after 12 a.m., armed with a gun, demanding money. One man ducttaped a 21-year-old woman and pistol-whipped a 23-year-old, when they resisted.

Police Department is conducting the investigation.

Back in April 2008, a stabbing incident occurred at the La Quinta Inn when a fight broke out during a party in when one of the rooms.

Junior Kimberly Arena added that the hotel should be concerned with the safety of all the guests in general, not just the students since she see's children often.

The gun discharged during the beating and a bullet hit the mattress. A hotel desk clerk heard the shot and called hotel security and Clifton police.

The 23-year-old woman was taken to a local hospital with cuts and bruises.

Barrett said that the responding officers went to the room and caught one man as he left the room and found the other inside.

The men took the women’s pocketbooks and cash. The Clifton

"I don't see security as much as I used to, like when the cars were being stolen. I see them do like one round the most and then they go chill in the lobby," Arena said.

Jordan added that although there's the Clifton Police, the campus police should also patrol La Quinta.

"The cops are supposed to be patrolling from 2-6 a.m. in the morning. I never see them. I see them on Sunday afternoons, what's going happen during the day on a Sunday?"

"I feel pretty confident about the Clifton police, maybe if they had a few more I would feel better," Arena said.

Junior Stephanie Ahrens said she feels the area is bad to have housing in because of how busy Clifton can be.

"Last semester we were dealing with the car situation. There were at least three or four cars that got broken into. Now we have this?" Ahrens said.

Ahrens commented that the door for the entrance at the wing where students live in is never locked.

“It's supposed to be locked and we're supposed to use our keys to get in, but it's always open. Our window doesn't even lock. One of our friends here, her door doesn't even lock,” she said.



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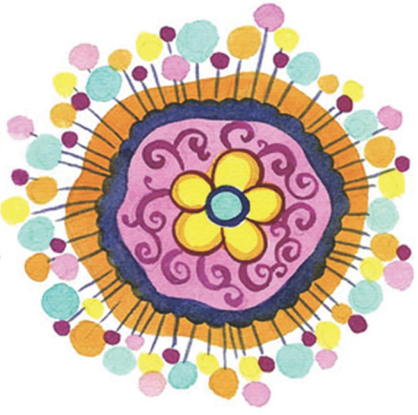
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Montclair Students Research World Trade Center Dust

Scott Buchanan
Staff Writer

When the World Trade Center towers collapsed on Sept. 11, 2001, and thousands of civilians fled from downtown New York, a steady stream of brave men and women made their way against the tide of evacuation towards Ground Zero. First responders, construction workers and volunteers gathered at the site of the attacks to aid in the effort of search and recovery. The rescue effort commenced at a feverish pace, with recovery workers laboring around the clock for days and weeks at a time. Personal safety was an afterthought at best. But as the fires smoldered below and the dust continued to settle from above, hope waned. Eventually, the reality set in that no more survivors would be pulled from the wreckage. What should have been an opportunity for the recovery workers to catch their collective breath was anything but.

Almost immediately, it became apparent that the inescapable combination of smoke and particulate matter at Ground Zero was having an adverse affect on the health of the recovery workers. According to a 2002 study of the characterization of the dust that settled at the site, it was essentially a

toxic brew of pulverized and combusted material. Among numerous other materials, the dust contained a fine mixture of steel, glass, heavy metals, as-



Dr. Ann Marie DiLorenzo Montclair.edu

bestos, ash and many known chemical carcinogens. Respiratory symptoms, marked by chronic coughing and decreased lung function, emerged and persisted in a large proportion of the rescue workers exposed. These symptoms came to be known as WTC Cough Syndrome. By 2006, published studies reported that almost 70 percent of recovery workers had suffered high rates of respiratory abnormalities.

Dr. Ann Marie DiLorenzo has been a professor of Biology at Montclair State University for almost 30 years. Since the 1970s, her research interests have centered around the *in vitro* (grown in a test tube) culturing of animal cells. Today, she specializes in studying the effects of induced stress on such cells. Prior research efforts have included monitoring the effects of cadmium and lead on animal cell tissues.

In 2007, Dr. DiLorenzo attended a lecture given by Dr. Paul Lioy of Rutgers University on the chemical composition of WTC dust. Given her experience working with heavy metals, Dr. DiLorenzo took advantage of the opportunity to study such a unique amalgamation of toxins. After securing a sample from Dr. Lioy, she went to work with a team of undergraduate and graduate students to study the effects of the WTC dust on human lung tissue. “The problems with WTC dust have

been the lung issues that we’re hearing about; the firemen and the first responders who were exposed. So that’s why we started looking at human lung cultures,” explains DiLorenzo.

One of eight students involved with the research and lead author of the paper the group would eventually publish was then graduate student Constantino “Gus” Lambroussis.

“If you look at what is actually physically in the WTC dust, you will see a whole slew of heavy metals. So any of the heavy metals we were already looking at in our [other cell culture research], you can find to some degree within the WTC dust,” Lambroussis said.

The group focused their effort on two responses of lung tissue to exposure of the dust. Cell proliferation rates (reproduction rates) and rates of apoptosis (naturally occurring cell death) were measured at different concentrations of dust exposure. Upon analysis of the data, the trends were clear. With increasing concentrations of WTC dust exposure, the lung cells reproduced



Dr. Paul Lioy Rutgers.edu

at a significantly lower rate and died off at a significantly quicker rate. As a control measure, cells were also exposed to different concentrations of household dust and gypsum (dry wall). The rates of apoptosis were measured for these two substances as well and they did not have nearly the same detrimental effect on lung tissue that the WTC dust did. Furthermore, the particulate size of WTC dust was compared to both household dust and gypsum and found to be comparable, suggesting that it was the actual chemical composition of WTC dust that was responsible for the declines in cell health. The group concluded that exposure



MSU students conduct experiments. Montclair.edu

to the WTC dust has a negative effect on lung cell viability. They think that the various chemical contaminants found in the dust have mutagenic properties that cause damage to the DNA of the cells. Such drastic decreases of cell viability in a human body would likely result in decreased lung function, such as that experienced by many of the recovery workers.

The group’s work was published in a 2009 edition of the *Online Journal of Biological Sciences*. A number of students in Dr. DiLorenzo’s lab are continuing to do research using *in vitro* culturing techniques.

“As a long-time teacher, I don’t want students depending on me. I want them to be able to work as a team. And as you can see, we have a team that worked on the project and is continuing,” said DiLorenzo.

Dr. Lioy, who served as a catalyst for the work done at MSU, has been recognized as an authority on the WTC dust and is set to publish a popular-audience book on the subject in the near future. He thinks that work done at Dr. DiLorenzo’s lab is important since it will contribute to a body research that focuses on the effects of more than one contaminant at a time.

“[The discipline of toxicology] has been provided a wake-up call with the WTC event and fully recognizes the fact we’re usually not dealing with a single chemical when talking environmental issues,” Dr. Lioy said. “The adverse effects that are being observed probably come as a result of the synergism and antagonism of a whole host of chemicals in the WTC dust and original unrecorded gaseous releases. This is important to recognize if we are to truly understand the complexities of an exposure-response mechanism.”



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He said SHE said

Q: HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH THE STRESS OF exams?
Sincerely, STRESSED OUT



Nelson DePasquale
Sports Editor

Originally, I thought I may not be a very good candidate to discuss how to deal with the pressure of those mid-term and final exams. The reason is that I don't really get flustered or feel that constant pressure at all when they come around. But after I sat and thought about what to write, I realized I'm the right guy to talk to after all, just because I never pull my hair out during exam time. Here are a few things that I do to turn those fears into cheers:
1. Chill out:

This is the most important rule of all. Instead of studying in the confinements of your own room or house, try to get around. I find that one of the best places to study is in the bath. It may sound weird or somewhat disgusting, but the environment is very comfortable. You're warm and relaxed with your feet up in soapy clean water. What isn't there to like? Plus, a relaxed body can mean a relaxed brain, making route memorization a bit easier.

Or you can just go outside on a nice day to study, but I really like the bath method, (DISCLAIMER: do not bring a laptop with you into the tub).

2. Humor is key:

I know exams are no laughing matter, but if you include some comedy into your study habits you will benefit from it. Any funny connection you can make with the topics you are studying is progress.

I find that I remember funny things more than I remember boring things. Sound about right? When I was in fourth grade, I did this with the state capitals and I still know most of them today. I believe I will never forget the capital of Florida because my brother is moving there, and he is going to bring his Tallahassee!

Trust me, I may sound stupid, but you'll be thanking me later.

3. Multi-task ... in a good way:

Don't be afraid to have your textbook tag-along with you on your daily journeys. Sometimes I bring my study materials along with me to my friend's house if I think I might have the time. Even watching your favorite show or movie and studying isn't that bad an idea.

As long you set aside some study time to look only at materials (at least for a bit), doing this is a great way to keep those facts in your head. And hey, even if it is your only study time, at least you can tell yourself you tried.

You heard it here! Those are the ways I take my mind off the pressure of exams, and so far, so good. Just remember the number one rule. Try to organize your time, and you will be fine.



Jade Moskovitz
Staff Writer

Stress, although dismissible, is often found to be unavoidable. It is easy to encounter daily stresses and choose to sweep them under the rug; but when it comes to exams or midterms, deciding not to study causes the aftermath of more stress after the grades are entered and reality sets in. There is no question that exam time means cram time for many, however there are ways around last minute studying.

Give yourself a break: Coming from the queen of cramming, it's not the best strategy. Attempting to pull the all-nighter routine is just setting yourself up for an epic fail. Instead of bombarding your mind hours before the exam, spread out your study time out and give yourself a break.

Review your notes: I can't tell you how many times teachers, in past years, have told me to review, review, review. "Every night, read over your notes after that day's class, and before you know it, you'll have retained more then you could ever deem possible,"

they'd say. And I would think, yeah, okay like I'm ever going to take the time to do that ... But now it's one of the most beneficial tips I could have gotten. College courses rely on the student's ability to take notes.

Granted, some lectures are flat out boring. You find yourself struggling to keep your eyes open and head off the desk, but boring or not, the lesson is pertinent to your grade. If notes are missed, ask a friend for a copy and in your spare time skim the notes. This eliminates a whole lot of stress when it comes time for the exam.

Find your zone: Everybody's different when it comes to the "right" place to study. Some have to go to the library, and others don't even know where the library is. Whatever the case, figure out what is right for you.

For me, Facebook is definitely an issue. As a social network it's great; however, I find myself wasting so much time looking at pointless pictures and leaving comments. If I'm studying and have the computer in front of me, I know I'm going to be distracted. So if you find that to be an issue, ditch the computer for a couple hours.

Use Mnemonics: The best studying technique I can recommend is word association. I once had to memorize 150 different people, and three facts for each person. Although I thought it was impossible, I just made funny word associations to match their first or last names with their facts. Before I knew it I had the whole stack of note cards memorized.

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THE WORKOUT STATION: FURNITURE-INSPIRED STRETCHES

Vanessa Hargreaves
Staff Writer

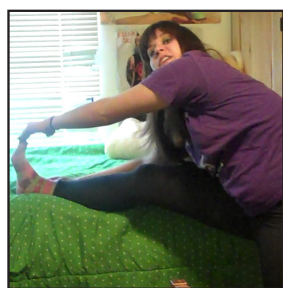
Okay fellow MSU comrades, this week I'm going to be specifically focusing on dorm room accessible stretches that are quick, easy and totally fun to do in a limited amount of space. These stretches will help loosen muscles in your legs, arms and back. All you need is a bed, a desk and a chair to join me in this awesome stretch fest.

Let's start out by getting on our beds spreading our legs out and leaning over them, grasping your toes. Stretch as far as you can, and then, come up gently for a nice deep inhale. Then exhale, stretching over your legs once more, getting deeper into the stretch.



Leg stretch.

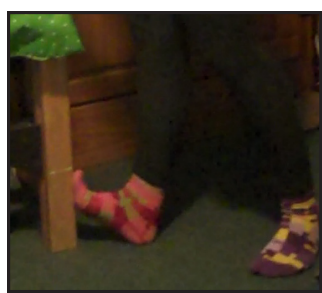
Now, get off your bed and stand beside it. Gently lift one leg. Place it on top of your bed and lean over that leg, with your opposite arm in an arc position. Hold for 20 seconds and switch legs. This stretch reminds me of being a ballerina, lifting your leg over a bar. It not only benefits you by stretching out your legs, but your arms and obliques as well.



Hamstring stretch.

Continuing with the use of your bed, remain beside the bed and do a calf stretch using the legs of the bed. With one foot at a time, prop it up against the leg of the bed on an angle and lean with your body, putting pressure on that leg. You will feel a burn in your calf, which will also help prevent injuries such as shin splints when you do your workout.

Moving onto your chair, sit straight up and do an arm stretch. Take



Calf stretch.

like we did in the first stretching segment, doing a spinal twist is very simple while in a chair, and I do it all the time in class. Sitting straight, twist your torso and hold the back of your chair for both sides.

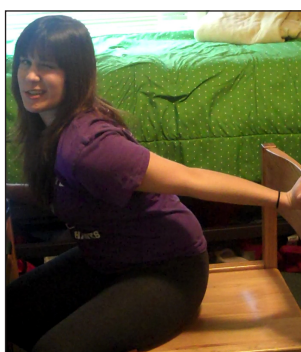
Now for the most fun stretch I have discovered that is perfect for any dorm — the bridge! Some of you might know how to do this, and surprisingly, it is actually easier with the help of a chair. Sit with legs onto the side of your chair and gently lean all the way back touching your hands to the opposite side of the chair. With all your strength, push yourself up so that your body is one big arc over your chair and feel every part of your back stretch out, feeling great. Pretty neat, huh?

Hope you guys have enjoyed this week's dorm segment and don't hesitate to watch the full demonstration at themontclarion.org. Next week I will continue my dorm tips with a full dorm-friendly workout!



Bridge stretch.

the back of chair and press one arm against it, twisting it for a good shoulder stretch and alternate arms. In addition,



Shoulder stretch.

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A Voice for Latin America

Continued from page one

A man started to stick his cell phone into Peterson’s frame, and the professor realized there was an echo traveling throughout the town.

“They wanted their story told and wanted the world to know and that was such a huge responsibility to be in that position,” Peterson recalled.

Peterson said the man was using his cellphone to record the testimonies given by the Guatemalan people, which were going out over the radio.



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“There’s a little park and a huge speaker, and everyone [could] hear and everyone sat and listened to these stories while they were waiting in line,” Peterson said. “This showed how community radio is so significant, and how much power a small radio transmitter can have.”

Since the end of the 36-year civil war in Guatemala, the number of rural pirate community radio stations has increased in the country.

Peterson traveled to Guatemala to not only film the daily lives of the people, but to follow Maria Martin, a pioneering NPR journalist creating a voice for rural radio journalists in Guatemala.

Martin goes into small communities and creates workshops, which she sets up to train and educate journalists in Guatemala about the ins and outs of reporting.

Peterson said her documentary on Martin, which has a working title of *Gracia Vida*, is representative of the inherent danger all journalists face covering human rights, politics and corruption throughout Latin American.

Peterson added that one of the unique aspects of this project is that it shows the importance and impact of radio, one of the earliest forms of broadcasting, in remote areas desperately in need of a flow of information to and from the outside world.

“Just as a local television studio located in the family’s garage is a powerful reminder to young people entering the field of broadcasting, that the power of a media message is far more critical than the cost of the equipment,” Peterson said. “I continually reminded the workshop participants of this when they admired my High Definition camera, while I was awed by their courage in risking their own personal safety to speak out openly about local politics and corruption.”

With there being over 20 different indigenous dialects in Guatemala, Martin said radio remains the most powerful mass medium in the region, especially in rural areas.

“Many people are either illiterate, or monolingual in their indigenous language. Therefore, radio is the medium that not only reaches the far flung villages, but speaks to them in their language, and about issues that are important to them,” she said in an e-mail response. “It is local, immediate and speaks to their needs and con-

cerns in a way that the major media does not.”

In January, Peterson went back to Guatemala to see the progress of the journalists down there.

“There was one journalist, Hector Cordero, who was covering a story and he gathered all of his equipment, went to the Internet café, set up his computer and editing program, plugged it all in and sent it over to Guatemala City,” Peterson described. “This was the same guy I met several years ago who came in to workshop, not with the skills, but desire to be a journalist.”



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Peterson said the stories and issues covered by rural journalists are now included in the National broadcasts in television, radio and print. The Internet has been instrumental in helping indigenous voices join the global dialogue.

A couple of weeks ago, one of the stories Cordero was covering about corruption put him in danger, and his television station came out to defend him by airing an editorial about his situation.

“The heat has been turned up in the case of one of the journalists we visited. He has received a number of death threats attributed to a powerful politician in the region he covers — making this documentary and the issues it hopes to



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bring to the public, all the more pertinent,” Martin said about Cordero.

Peterson feels Guatemala is not that dangerous, however, a few days before leaving for her trip, international papers reported on a journalist in Guatemala who was covering a lynching and ended up getting shot.


“If you report something you run the risk of libel; if they report something, and it can easily be true, they run the risk of being killed.”

Peterson said it is not easy for female journalists especially in Guatemala.

“As a woman, I think it was interesting to see the people’s reaction to me. Not only was I the only woman journalist, but I had all of this technology and equipment and was able to use it, which is surprising for a lot of people even in this country.”



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Chinese Tradition Visits America

Amanda Balbi
Feature Editor

Have you ever wondered how dumplings were made? How about the history behind them? Well, they are easy to make and have a fun history behind them.

Chang Yu of Beijing Jiaotong University and Fenghua Xi of Donghua University discussed the history and making of these delicious little dumplings in the workshop *The Stories Behind Chinese Dumplings*.

The first dumplings in China were made 1,300 years ago. Made with flour, salt and water, plus all the inside goodies, the dumpling became a New Year’s tradition. They say that the more dumplings you eat on New Year’s Day, the more prosperous you will be in the future year.

The tradition brought together families from all over China. The family would gossip on New Year’s Eve while preparing the dumplings. It’s the social event of the year in China.

During the workshop, the dumpling was compared to the American turkey on Thanksgiving. The food might be different, but the message is the same; family is a strong bond that is kept together by tradition.

The event itself brought many spectators, selling out within two days of ticket sales. Not only were the students of Montclair State University interested in this Chinese tradition, but the event was open to the public as well.

Audience members were able to sample the dumplings made in front of them by Food Management and Hospitality students.

You can go online to the Montclarion website at themontclarion.org to get all of the recipes discussed during the lecture. Thank you to the visiting scholars who came all the way from China to teach us about their delicious dumplings.

Ingredients for dough:

- 3 cups of all-purpose flour
- ¼ teaspoon of salt (optional)
- 1 ¼ cups of cold water

Ingredients for pork and shrimp filling:

- 1 pound ground pork
- 10 ½ ounces of shrimp
- 2 tablespoons of soy sauce
- one teaspoon of sea salt
- one tablespoon of Chinese rice wine
- ¼ teaspoon of white ground pepper
- 2 tablespoons of sesame oil
- ½ pieces of green onion
- 2 cups of Napa cabbage
- 4 tablespoons of bamboo shoots
- 2 slices of fresh ginger
- 1 clove

Procedure for dough:

In a mixing bowl, add the “dry ingredients” — salt and flour. Then stir in the cold water, slowly, but don’t add too much.

Mix together until you can form a dough ball. When the mixture is thick enough to knead into small balls, pancake the balls into a three inch circle with the palm of your hand. Cover and set them aside for 30 minutes.

Procedure for filling:

Mix the pork and shrimp in a bowl. Add soy sauce, salt, rice wine and white pepper to bowl.

Stir in constant direction until all ingredients are combined. Add the rest of the ingredients and continue to stir in the same direction. Clean cabbage and squeeze dry into towel. Add bamboo shoots as necessary.

Once the filling is complete, place one tablespoon of filling into the center of each circle of dough. Wet the edges of each circle and fold into a half moon shape. Pinch the edges to seal it.

Boil water in a large pot. Add about half of your dumplings to the boiling water. Stir to make sure they don’t stick to each other. Then add half a cup of cold water. Cover and repeat three times. During the final time, take them out once the water boils. Enjoy!

Winter Olympics

Unscramble the words to reveal the clues. The first letter in each clue reveal the host country of the Winter Olympics. Each clue is either a sport, a province in the country, or a previous Olympic host city.

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Answer:

Winter Olympic Sports

Find the words in the puzzle. All words in this puzzle are current games in the Winter Olympics.

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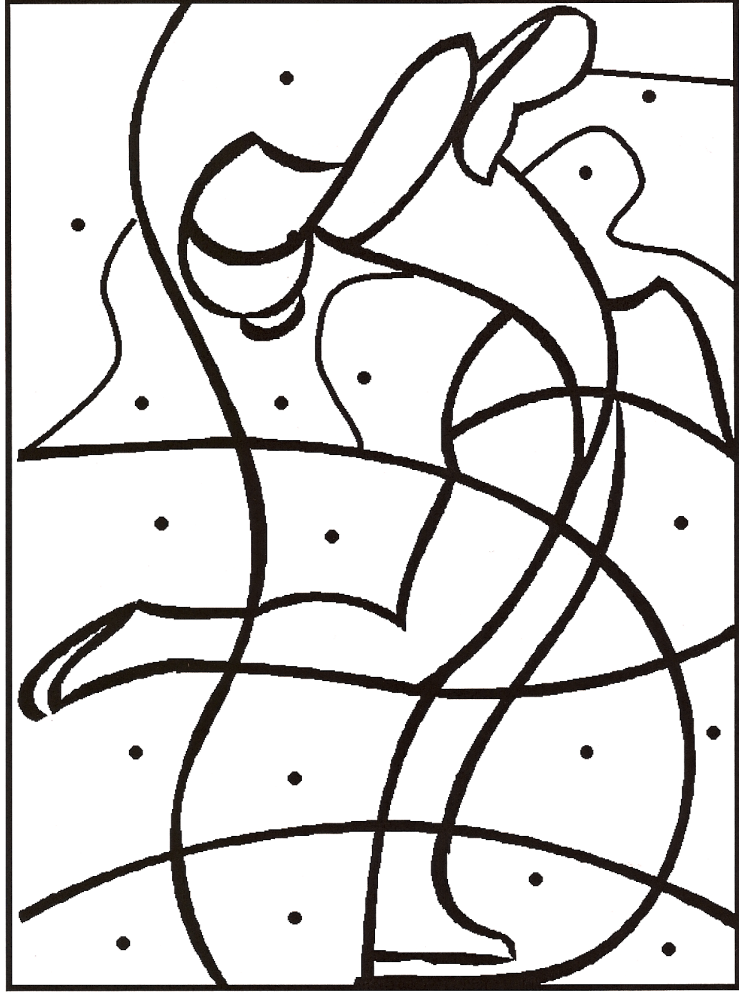
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Puzzle #2 - Easy

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HAPPYLAND! by Lou CUNNINGHAM!

Good news!

I found what was caught in your teeth!

LOU CUNNINGHAM!

It's a chicken bone!

Good to know.

Watch Out for That ...

by: John Maddi

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A Cartoon by John Maddi

For Every Award Taylor Swift Wins, it Seems That Kanye West Loses More of His HP.

Taylorsaur Lv.56

HP 142 / 153

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Are you SERIOUS!? You're sooo cheap!!!

John Maddi

Taylorsaur used "Award-Cannon!" It's Super-Effective! Again!

Kanye-chu Lv.58

HP 23 / 189

The Universe is in Your Hands, Literally

Mass Effect II Released for Xbox 360 and PC

Mark Ramdular
STAFF WRITER

Armed with a gripping story, branching dialogue and some plot twists that wouldn't be out of place in many Sci-Fi movies, developer Bioware unleashed *Mass Effect* onto the masses November 2007. Fortunately, the game garnered immense amount of media attention and even more sales; a sequel was imminent. Flash forward three years to Jan. 26: *Mass Effect 2* was released for the PC and Xbox 360. Can publisher EA and the developers at Bioware create that same magic that made *Mass Effect* more massive than the universe?

Mass Effect 2 starts off with a scene between Cerberus operative, Miranda and the leader of Cerberus named The Illusive Man. Minutes later, we cut to our protagonist and savior of the galaxy, Commander Shepard on board his spaceship, the SSV Normandy. While Shepard and a crew likely to be familiar to

fans of the prequel are traversing the universe, they are attacked by an unknown foe. Everything goes to hell in a hand basket with speedy precision and thus, *Mass Effect 2* truly starts.

Graphically, *Mass Effect 2* looks nothing short of impressive, and somehow, is a noticeably big improvement over the original.

Thankfully, the game play also received a similar overhaul. Instead of being bogged down by many of the confines of the RPG, *Mass Effect 2* is a more faithful role-playing shooter hybrid. Ammo actually exists, headshots count, your squad mates are slightly smarter and instead of playable characters having mul-

multiple overlapping skills, they are actually all quite unique, albeit with less skill choices. Inventory management, a big issue in the prequel, has been fixed and instead of receiving hundred upon hundreds of items, Bioware implemented a great upgrade system negating the overabundance of loot. Thankfully, Bio-

ware didn't change everything and brought back the use of their branching dialogue, paragon/renegade system and epic soundtrack.

That being said, *Mass Effect 2* does have very miniscule problems. Load times occasionally lead one to believe it is possible to make a sandwich in between screens.



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A Movie To “Shutter” At

New Movie Doesn’t Thrill All



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Blaine Bridges
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT ASSISTANT

Shutter Island is an unmitigated disaster. The story and central performance are so absurd and inexplicable, there is literally nothing that can save it from being self-important nonsense. Few films that have this kind of talent involved are so unsalvageable.

Most people are aware of the film's possible twist. Allow this reviewer to clarify: it is the most cliché twist in the screenwriter's catalogue. What's worse is the film offers little explanation as to what actually occurred while the story played out. There are sides to it, but none that save it

from being preposterous.

An excellent twist enhances the experience of watching a movie. Fooling the audience takes special care and patience, giving viewers a taste of mystery, but never baiting them to look beyond the present. When the secret is finally unveiled, it works because it is first logical, second startling and third, completely changes the context of the movie while also illuminating it.

Bad twists come in two distinct varieties: the random and the obvious. A random plot development without foreshadowing is unnatural and cheap. The possibility of uncovering the truth is impossible. When it is

revealed, it ultimately betrays the audience.

Obvious twists are self explanatory. As the film blunders through red herrings, botches every opportunity at subtlety, beats the audience over the head with symbolism and leaves no room for reflection, the whole plot becomes transparent.

Shutter Island suffers from the latter of these maladies. The direction the film will take is clear from the beginning, but when it gets to the conclusion, instead of enlightening the picture, it casts shadows of doubt across everything that we've seen. While the central caper is explained, nothing that actually

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CHINESE FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Emily Golloub
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Dickson Hall kicked off the festival with a very informative lecture called *Contemporary Chinese History Through the Lens of Literature*. History professor Jeffrey Kinkley, from St. John's University, and author Da Chen led the discussion. They discussed various topics of literature from 20th century China. Chen's memoirs were a basis for the discussion. The discussion included information about his book *Colors of the Mountain*.

"This was the kick off event for the Chinese Festival," said moderator of the event Kenneth Olenik. "It was phenomenal! Jeff gave historical background of China. Chen has won a lot of prizes. He talked about his life and how he became a writer. He also talked about his life in the village. It was so moving, people had tears in their eyes."



Jillian Keats | The Montclarion

Chen kicks off the Chinese Festival at Dickson Hall.

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occurred is comprehensible under close scrutiny.

As you think carefully about what you saw and all its implications, the only conclusion that you can come to was that it was completely impossible. For the ending to be true, reason, common sense and indeed, any protocol for safety and well-being must have been thrown out the window by everyone involved.

Aside from the bankrupt plot, the journey we take is dragged down even further by a terrible performance from Leonardo DiCaprio. Do not mistake this claim for the venom so many unjustly heap atop this actor, but this performance exactly reflects the ridiculousness of the plot.

No subtlety is given to his character. DiCaprio literally roams the island weeping uncontrollably, confused, angry and always brooding. Unrelentingly bleak, he staggers to each clumsy set piece as a total wreck. A drinking game could be

played counting every time he bursts into tears.

DiCaprio's acting is a ravenous spectacle of scenery chewing, completely obliterating every line he delivers and action he performs.

It is a stronger choice for an actor not to cry at every opportunity and instead hold back, bottling the pressure under a façade of calm. No person wears their true feelings on their sleeve and in the case of this character, destroys what should have been an enigma.

Thoughtful individuals will be flabbergasted at how maligned this project became. Visually, this film is stunning; an eerie foreboding pervades every scene, and the craft is masterful everywhere but in the most important places.

This is what happens when masters of the craft forget the most simple and important aspects of film making: conflict and character.



Photos Courtesy of www.fusedfilm.com

Leonardo DiCaprio performs in the new thriller to hit the theaters, *Shutter Island*.

Chinese

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Olenik went on to say how packed the event was. They didn't have enough chairs set up at first.

The lecture was abundant with information and great points about the topic of literature and contemporary China. The discussion closed with a question and answer section as well as book signing by both Kinkley and Chen.

The lecture was a very successful event to start off the month long Chinese Festival here at MSU.



Jillian Keats | *The Montclarion*

Chen ends his lecture and allows the audience to come up so he can sign their books.

A FORCE FOR CHANGE

African American Art and the Julius Rosenwald Fund



The exhibition was made possible by a generous grant from the Terra Foundation for American Art. Major project support was also provided by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Righteous Persons Foundation, and The Judith Rothschild Foundation.

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The first exhibition to explore the artistic legacy of the Julius Rosenwald Fund, which awarded stipends to hundreds of African American artists, writers, and scholars from the late 1920s through the 1940s. The show presents the artistic products of that support, featuring over 60 paintings, sculptures, and works on paper by Rosenwald Fellows. Organized by the Spertus Museum.

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Exiled to La Quinta? You're Still an MSU Student.



Lou Cunningham | The Montclarion

Montclair State University students who live at La Quinta Inn are questioning their safety this week after they learned about the armed robbery that took place there earlier this month. It did not involve Montclair State students; however, students are also wondering why La Quinta residents and the main campus community were not informed of the robbery.

La Quinta Inn, Montclair State's most permanently temporary residence hall, is about eight miles away from campus, along Route 3 East.

Currently about 210 students live at the Inn. It houses mostly transfer students who couldn't get housing on the main campus.

The school advertises La Quinta as a step-up from the regular residence halls. Among the amenities offered are housekeeping services, a pool, jacuzzi and queen-size beds. That's all fantastic, as long as you don't mind dealing with the occasional stabbing, car break-in or armed robbery.

Residents have also complained about mousetraps in their rooms that have been left (occupied by mice) for several days. Clearly, however, students' safety is the main issue in this case.

Since the university started using La Quinta as a place to house transfer students three years ago, students have reported several cases of theft. Car windows have been

broken into and electronic devices stolen in the parking lot.

When a stabbing at the hotel was reported two years ago, the university did not inform students on campus of the incident. Residents of the hotel were well aware of it, but apparently the administration felt it was unnecessary to inform those who were not directly affected.

Residential Education encourages RAs at La Quinta to bring the campus to their outsourced classmates. They want Greek Life and other student organizations to hold events at the hotel.

This is reasonable, but only up to a point. Students pay to live away at college, in part, for the "college" campus atmosphere — not for the

hotel experience.

One student who was interviewed to be an RA at La Quinta told *Montclarion* reporters, "Other universities outsource students to hotels. But they do it for three months. MSU does it for three years."

With the construction of three new residence halls, why is La Quinta going to remain an option for student housing?

It's not conducive to the on-campus involvement that the university is always trying so desperately to foster. Shuttles do not run 24-hours, and according to Residential Education, there are no plans to do so in the future.

Although the hotel attempts to

keep MSU students in their own "wing" of the hotel, students are inevitably housed in rooms adjoining with those of regular guests.

Many students enjoy living at the hotel. They don't mind the commute to campus and like the idea of having their own separate dorm life. They also like the extra freedom that comes with being off-campus.

If the university is going to continue to house students at La Quinta, all students should be aware of issues that relate directly to their safety. Residential Education likes to treat the hotel as any other dorm on campus. If an armed robbery occurred in the Village or on Clove Road, wouldn't you like to know about it?

Snow Thanks, MSU. Snow Thanks.



It was Tuesday night as the members of *The Montclarion* trekked across campus. Strong winds sent icy rain whipping across our faces as we struggled through slippery walkways.

We could hardly lift our eyes in fear of being blinded by the torrents of water falling from the sky.

After collectively losing our balance twice and almost seriously injuring ourselves we began to curse our poor luck.

But then we noticed we weren't the only ones stuck in the dismal weather. There were plenty of other students walking around campus, having an equally difficult time.

Moments later, we began to realize that the poor conditions on cam-

pus had nothing to do with our luck. And had everything to do with Montclair's inability to handle dangerous weather. This seems to be a re-occurring theme since the semester began.

Snow days are rare at Montclair, but for what reason? The university seems to ignore the fact that we are a commuter school. If the *Montclarion* staff had such a tough time merely walking across campus, we can't begin to imagine the driving conditions.

One of our main entrances is even precariously located on an uphill, winding road. Huge metal vehicles and sheets of ice don't equate to safety, this seems obvious to everyone but Montclair itself. They are is putting their students lives at risk by keeping the university open. We've lost count of how many commuters have told us that they came within inches of getting into an accident.

The university neglects to evenly distribute salt and bides their time plowing the walkways and streets on campus. Students on Clove Road experience this lack of action every time it snows a significant amount. They are forced to wait for shuttle buses in the cold that often pass them by due to full capacity. Most

times, students will opt to walk to class, forcing them to cross snow covered stairs and paths.

In an e-mail sent to a *Montclarion* correspondent, Dr. Pennington claims, "The world doesn't stop just because it snows. This is the Northeast; and it snows every winter. If everything was to close every time it snowed, then the world would come to a standstill." She follows this by saying, "Our students are adults, and thus capable of making their own decisions."

While this remains true, students could make the decision to miss an entire day of classes, using up one of their two absences, but an issue remains. What if a student's grade drops because of absences? Professors aren't always understanding. A student shouldn't suffer because the university can't handle a snowstorm. Besides, we don't see the benefit of endangering student's lives just to boast about how many days the university was in session.

We hope that it won't take a five-car pile up, or a student breaking their leg on unsalted stairs for Montclair to finally take action.

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State May Be Losing Track of Priorities

Budget Cuts will Derail Current Prices for NJ Transit Trains and Buses



KATIE WINTERS
ASSISTANT COPY
EDITOR

Go v. Christie is trying very valiantly to stop up the holes in the leaking budget of New Jersey.

To be honest, I can't imagine that he, or anybody else for that matter, will find a way to balance the budget without burdening one group or another.

That being said, NJ transit wasn't the best choice morally. Politically, however, it was a good choice.

Thousands of people manage to use our frustrating train and bus system daily to commute to work or school.

These commuters put up with transfers, delays and occasional questionable service. But the train is a cheap, environmentally-friendly alternative to driving every day.

As much as it'd be nice if people chose to take the train or bus because it is better for the environment, in reality most people take public transportation for financial reasons.

Whether they can't afford a car, can't afford a second car or gas is just too expensive, public transportation ends up being a smart financial choice.

In the end, cutting the budget for NJ Transit means higher prices for train tickets. Price hikes, in turn, mean hardship for those who take public transportation out of financial need.

Also, as a college student, I find the trains and buses useful, even if they can be frustrating.

Many other students and professors at MSU use the train, either for the daily commute or the occasional trip.

Now, public transportation probably won't become more expensive than buying, maintaining, fueling and sometimes parking a car daily.

However this price hike is still going to affect those who take public transportation for financial reasons.

The only way this could possibly be changed in the future is if ridership greatly increases for NJ Transit, as declining ridership was cited as one of the reasons for choosing this agency for the cut.

However, given the attachment most people have to their cars, an increase in ridership for public transportation seems unlikely. And so, users of public transportation will have to suffer.

Gov. Christie's decision to cut the budget of a valuable resource for people who may need help financially does not seem to make a lot of sense, unless you consider that this group is a smaller one to offend.

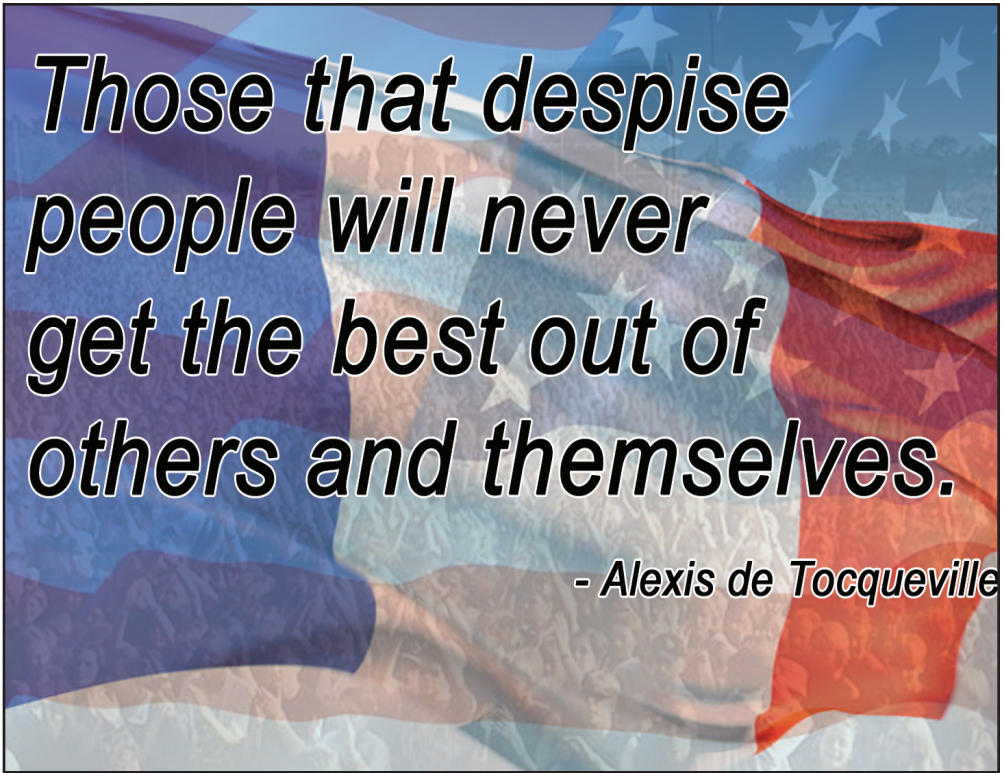
If New Jersey were to raise tolls on the turnpike or parkway or raise the tax on gas, there would be more people to complain.

This is a cruel, but common compromise. It's easier for a government to make a small group suffer to keep the majority content.

But, I can't foresee a situation in which budget cuts could be done without harming someone.

We need to either agree to cut public services previously considered necessary or accept a raise in taxes for someone. We can't pay for everything we do now and expect the deficit to disappear.

Katie Winters, an English major, is in her first year as assistant copy editor for The Montclarion.



A New Look at Anarchy



DANIELLE FIORITA
GUEST COLUMNIST

ANARCHY! Someone shouts into a crowd, and suddenly blood is pumping, and adrenaline is flowing.

But what is it, and who are anarchists? An anarchist feels like it is not necessary to follow the rules set-up by the system. Can anarchy be defined by terrifying magazine covers with men on horseback riding into the night or a peaceful commune run by the people for the people?

According to Gabe Rubin, a somewhat hilarious and esteemed professor here at Montclair State, anarchy was huge in the early 20th century. Anarchists were a force to be reckoned with.

They started WWI by assassinating Austria's Archduke Franz Ferdinand. An anarchist named Leon Czolgosz killed our 25th president, William McKinley, in 1901. Anarchists did not just talk the talk, they walked the walk.

Today, the movement is more of a philosophy existing without plans to murder our president. Of course, there exists the radicals who sport faded circle "A" tattoos, but in general, it is a peaceful movement (no bomb building knowledge pre-requisite needed to join).

To live without a government may not seem possible, but it is only because we are trained to think like that. Professor Rubin

said that the government instilled the idea that anarchy is buildings on fire, people screaming in the streets, the sun burnt out and dark all the time.

People are programmed, they are programmed that they can only learn from a teacher or in a university. They are programmed to need a government. Some skeptics of an anarchist society propose the idea of a rotten apple. Although no one likes rotten fruit, they are referencing criminals as a bad seed to upset the community.

Professor Rubin comments that rotten apples exist, but they are not potent enough to bring down a state that exists without Big Brother. Many anarchists feel that violence or criminality exists because a government is in place.

Some anarchists today believe there is a need for authority in the form of experts in an anarchist state.

For example, there would be an expert translator or farmer. This is because not everyone in the community may be capable of speaking Dutch or of growing soy beans organically. I feel that anarchy is important to have today, because you need something to challenge the system that controls you. Also, it is somewhat thrilling to park illegally in the bank lot when you intend to only go to the bakery nearby.

If this article has tickled a fancy of yours you should check out Students for Progressive Change, Wednesdays, 3 p.m. room 2048 in University Hall.

Danielle Fiorita, a Justice and Women's Studies major, is a guest columnist for The Montclarion.



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Aggressive Fundraising Targets Current Students



KRISTIE CATTAFI
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

“Hi, could we speak to the parents of Thomas Cattafi?”

“Speaking,” my mother, Kim, says.

“We were hoping you would like to donate money to Montclair State University.”

She spent five minutes explaining to the persistent woman calling on behalf of MSU that Tommy is only a sophomore at MSU and that paying tuition for two students who currently attend MSU is all she can afford.

But the panhandlers that MSU sent out kept on continuing to insist that any little

bit would help, and there are payment plans available. Eventually it became too much, and Kim Cattafi had to hang up the phone on the pleasantly annoying MSU employee.

My parents pay \$14,083.76 a year in tuition to send both my brother and myself to MSU. That breaks down to \$3,520.94 a semester per student. In addition to books, clothes and gas money (since we both commute), the bills begin to pile up.

While it may have only been \$250, a small contribution, to the woman who called my mother that night, one of my brother's biology books this semester cost \$200. That isn't even including the cost for all of the other books he was required to buy. I can fill up my gas tank about 12 times for \$250 and eat lunch for about three weeks on campus for \$250.

Universities in New Jersey have been

becoming increasingly more desperate for money, since funding for higher education is the first thing on the chopping board.

Gov. Chris Christie is trying to fill the state's \$2.2 billion budget deficit by any means. President Susan Cole has said that MSU's budget cut from the state this year was \$2.7 million. Somehow I don't think my parents' \$250 would solve their money problems.

Alumni are usually the people that universities hit up for cash. It makes sense — they have already graduated and have a job of their own with, hopefully, a steady income of money.

Asking current student's parents for money is an all time low for higher education organizations across the country.

Paula Maliandi, director of communications said there are telephone marketing divisions for alumni.

“The current thinking is that we need to get our current students on board now,” Maliandi said. “We are thinking of them as alumni now.”

In the past, she explained that there used to be minimal effort to reach out to alumni because the university was receiving more money from the state.

Treating current students as alumni now is definitely the right way to go MSU — they don't have their own hole of financial deficits to pay off with tuition and loan bills.

Word of advice future MSU telemarketers: Next time you try to get your \$250 by talking about our wonderful brand new Student Recreation Center and the new dorms that will soon hold 2,000 students, try to have a little sensitivity that not everyone has \$250 to throw around.

Kristie Cattafi, an English major, is Editor-In-Chief of The Montclarion.

Student Asks, “How Green are We, MSU?”

The Lights are On, but No One’s Home in Buildings Across Campus



LORI WIECZOREK
ASSISTANT OPINION
EDITOR

As time surges forward, so does our understanding of the world we live in. Contrary to primitive beliefs, the earth is not impervious. Our mere existence is responsible for massive amounts of damage to the atmosphere. The Industrial Revolution played a major role in this destruction. You can easily understand why. All of that pollution had to go somewhere. Luckily, we are beyond the “If we can’t see it, then it isn’t harming us” mentality. Every action has a reaction, and our complete nonchalance towards the environment is producing visible consequences. Locations where snow was once plentiful is now a barren stretch of land. Yes, I know that some people spew the nonsense that climate change does not exist, but that is just simply not true. I’m basing this truth on the statements of thousands of scientists, men and women, who base their conclusions on facts and statistics. You can’t blame me for disregarding

the ideas of the average talk radio host who argues against scientific opinion. Over the last decade or so, nations across the world have been participating in efforts to preserve our environment in the form of the Kyoto Protocol. According to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the Kyoto Protocol is aimed at fighting global warming by reducing greenhouse gases. The world seems united in their fight against global climate change, but world leaders are not the only ones that should be held responsible for the pollution that their country expels. From industrial corporations to residential homes, every institution should be actively participating in the fight for environmental protection. Merely changing the light bulbs in your home to fluorescent bulbs drastically reduces green house gases and even reduces your energy costs. It really is the little things that count the most. Consider for a moment the benefits of turning off all the lights in your house before going to sleep. If you had left those lights on then your electric bill would be double, \$200 rather than \$100, \$600 instead of \$300, you get the idea.

Disregard the cost issue, and instead, focus on the amount of energy wasted by leaving those little bulbs on. You don’t have to be a rocket scientist to recognize the error in wasteful electricity. Now, consider this: It was around 1 a.m. on Wednesday of last week. I was walking across campus, and as I passed building after building, I began to notice a pattern. The lights were all left on; at this time of night, it was unusual to see more than a handful of students walking around campus. So I began to wonder, who exactly are these lights left on for? Doesn’t MSU claim that they are “going green?” I don’t know what color wheel Montclair is looking at, but green is the farthest thing from what they are doing. After looking at the electrical cost of the average American home, I can safely say that Montclair is practically burning our tuition money. By leaving the lights on at night, Montclair is participating in wasteful spending. And on top of everything, the bulbs aren’t even fluorescent! Students might argue that they need a

place to go at night if they can’t find solace in their rooms. I can understand this, but there is a reason why the Sprague Library and Café Diem are open 24 hours. Imagine if Montclair flipped all those light switches to off or replaced the bulbs with something a bit more environmentally friendly and used that ridiculous surplus in money to make sure the Internet works for a change. Instead, Montclair went ‘green’ by filing all of our personal information online in an effort to go paperless. After further research, I discovered that Montclair State University began using a large-scale food composter in November 2007. According to the Montclair website, “The composter can process a total of two cubic yards (approximately two tons) of food residue daily, is inexpensive to run (it costs about \$3 a day), quiet and odor-free.” This is all well and good, but it’s miniscule in comparison to what this university could be doing, with the light bulb issue being at the forefront of my complaints. Every person can make a difference in our struggle against global climate change. But if large institutions refrain from making relatively simple changes, then this is going to be a long and arduous uphill battle.

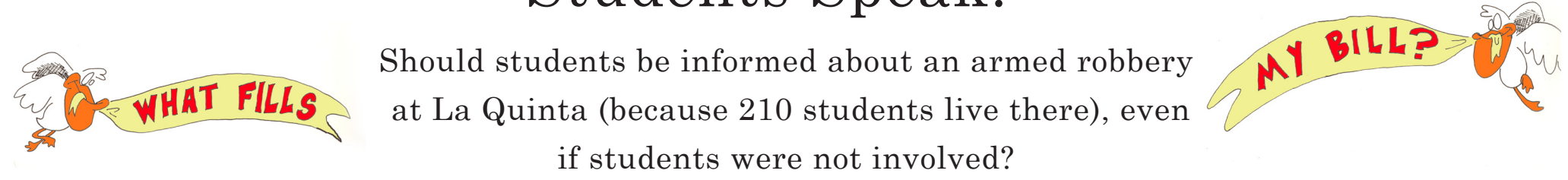
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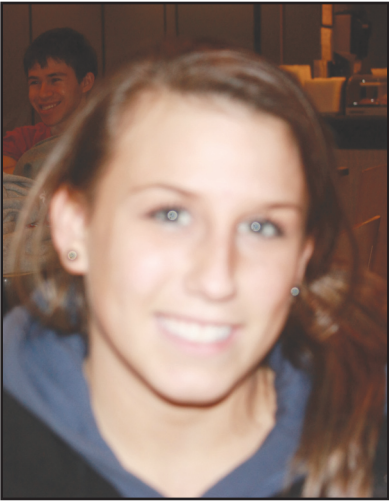
Students Speak:

Should students be informed about an armed robbery at La Quinta (because 210 students live there), even if students were not involved?



Miguel A. Castillo
Junior
Hotel Management/Nutrition

“If it’s a part of the residence housing in MSU (La Quinta), then it means that we should know more about what’s happening at La Quinta. There are over 200 students living there.”



Kara Berkendorf
Freshmen
Athletic Training

“I think that we should be aware of this, just so we know what’s going on at our school. They shouldn’t be stupid about our safety.”



Carla Villacres
Graduate Student
Spanish Literature

“I don’t think it’s going to make you more or less safe. But, it is going to make you more aware.”



Carla Penelope Veras
Sophmore
Marketing

“Yes, personally, I would like to know if my life was in danger. It’s really scary that something like that can happen at our school and for us as students not to be, at least, notified.”

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The Montclarion Sports Chronicles: The Final Word on Sports. Today's Blog (2/25/10):

Should They Stay or Should They Go: NHL Players in the Olympics

Mike Monostra
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

This past Sunday night, Americans from coast to coast erupted with cheers from their living room. It wasn't because of Lindsay Vonn, or Apolo Anton-Ohno, but rather from athletes who get paid millions, the USA Men's Hockey team.

The United States men's victory over Canada in pool play was the first over their neighbors in the Olympics since 1960. This huge upset also came almost 30 years to the day when the U.S. defeated the vaunted Soviet Union in the 1980 Olympics at Lake Placid. However, there

was one big difference with the 1980 team, they were all amateurs.

The NHL began sending players to the Olympics in 1998 at Nagano, but is beginning to reconsider the policy for the next Winter Olympics, set for 2014 in Sochi, Russia. There are obvious issues with sending players to the Olympics, including the risk of injury, as well as the two week break in the NHL schedule that makes for a crammed late-season slate of games for teams. Ultimately, the decision is going to come down to money, as NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman will look to see if sending players to the Olympics works economically for the league.

If NHL players are pulled from the

Olympics, it will be a serious detriment to the men's hockey tournament. Unlike Olympic basketball, which is dominated by the United States every tournament, hockey is a more global sport and six of the 12 teams in this year's tournament had a realistic chance to win the gold medal.

In addition, the talent level of the players in the tournament is so deep. This is clearly the most talented pool of players to date. It also brings marketable players to the table. Recognizable names such as Sidney Crosby for Canada, Alex Ovechkin for Russia, Henrik Lundqvist for Sweden and Zach Parise for Team USA draw viewers to the television.

While it was nice to see a team of amateur players from the U.S. beat a team of Soviet pro players, how many players from that team can be named?

With the next Winter Olympics to be held in hockey hotbed Russia, the NHL should do everyone a favor and keep allowing their players to take part in the Olympics Games. The players want to be there, the fans love to watch them and it helps market star players just in time for the NHL season's home stretch for after the Olympics. So to Gary Bettman and all the NHL executives across North America, don't mess with something that is working. Keep the Olympic policy as is.

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PRODUCTION EDITOR

The National Anthem plays at the Panzer Athletic Center. Teammates stand in a line while spectators hover over their seats. As the song is about to end, a pair of hands attempt to come together. It is a good chance that those hands belong to Kara Burnham, who has the act as a tradition before every game. Aware of it, Burnham's teammates attempt to clap earlier than her.

"They do it to get me mad," Burnham said.

Burnham, a senior broadcasting major, is a two-sport athlete, playing volleyball in the fall and basketball in the spring. Burnham is one of only three current MSU athletes to participate in two sports; the others are sophomore Christina Crossin, who does swimming and lacrosse, and junior Taylor Bonner, who plays football and lacrosse.

Burnham, a Moorestown native, played a third sport in high school: golf. When she began attending Montclair State, golf dropped off her already full plate. Juggling two varsity sports was a difficult task to get used to since all varsity sports train year-round for the season. Burnham would typically miss the very beginning of basketball season as she transitioned from volleyball to basketball. "[Coach Karin Harvey] was very understanding and would not give me a hard time while I adjusted back into basketball," Burnham said.

Burnham's most defining time in college came in her sophomore year. That fall, Burnham helped lead the Red Hawks volleyball team to their first NJAC championship and first ever appearance in the NCAA tournament. The Red Hawks had to defeat Stockton, a rival in volleyball, before upsetting top-seeded New Jersey City in the finals.

"It was an amazing experience," Burnham said. "The men's soccer team also won [the NJAC championship] in Jersey City earlier that day. We passed



Photo Courtesy of Sports Information
Senior Kara Burnham leaves a legacy at MSU as a two sport athlete.

by them on our way to the gym."

Burnham's performance for her team earned her honors as the NJAC Sophomore Female Athlete of the Year.

What may be more surprising about Burnham was her season in basketball that year — Burnham didn't play. Feeling the burden from her freshman year, Burnham did not play her sophomore season. "I helped out by filming some games for them," Burnham said. "While I was doing that, though, I realized how much I missed it." Burnham looks back on the missed season as her biggest regret in her four-year career.

The competitive Burnham admits that she has a short fuse and can easily lose patience. "One thing I have learned here is that there is no time to be nervous or get frustrated," Burnham said. "It's all about believing in what you can do and working hard for 40 minutes."

Burnham had more individual success in volleyball, earning first team all-NJAC honors in 2007 and 2009, while earning an honorable mention all-NJAC selection in 2008. Burnham finished her career as the fourth player in team history with 1,000 career kills (1,035), third



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Kara Burnham, in action here in an early season game against Scranton, shot 39 percent and averaged 2.9 points per game in her senior season.

all-time in total blocks (273), and the record for most matches played (129). All in all, Burnham's name appears in the volleyball record books a total of 22 times in single game, single season and career rankings. While not having the same individual impact in basketball, Burnham was a great role player off the bench for the Red Hawks.

Burnham started what will likely be her final game as a Red Hawk on Tuesday against Kean in the NJAC tournament semifinals, scoring seven points and grabbing seven rebounds.

Now that her four years of athletics at MSU are finished, Burnham says she is

unsure what she will do now. "I only have classes two days a week. I'll have to find something to do."

Burnham hopes to attend Temple University for a graduate degree in broadcasting. She doesn't predict becoming a coach at any point, citing that her fiery competitiveness may get the best of her.

With a varied playing history, the legacy that Burnham leaves behind at Montclair State is an uncertain one. Will she be seen as a volleyball player who also played basketball or vice versa?

When asked, Burnham simply replied, "depends on who you ask."

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Men’s Lacrosse Dominates Moravian

Red Hawks Start Season on High Note, Expected to Take Conference

Robert Aitken
PRODUCTION EDITOR

It may be a new season for the Montclair State men’s lacrosse team, but signs are pointing toward déjà vu. The team opened their 2010 season on Wednesday with a 20-5 dismantling of Moravian College. The 2009 season, which led to a Skyline Conference championship and the team’s first-ever appearance in the NCAA Division III tournament, also began with a fifteen-goal victory over the Greyhounds (0-1).

“It was a thought in my mind, but we try not to think about that sort of stuff,” said attacker Tyler Meth. The sophomore Meth continued his dominance in a Red Hawks uniform with six goals and an assist. Meth ended his freshman season with 49 goals, the fourth best single season effort in team history.

Last season’s success and high expectations may have led to the Red Hawks coming out of the blocks late. Just 1:14 into the match, Moravian drew first blood by beating senior goalkeeper Andrew Rosado for a shocking 1-0 lead. “We came out slow tonight,” Meth said. “It’s something that we have to keep working on.”

The Morvian advantage lasted for yet another 1:14, when junior midfielder Kevin Dyer evened the score at one. Fifty seconds later, sophomore midfielder Greg Fitzgerald scored on a feed from Meth as Montclair State would never look back.

Four additional goals were scored in the remainder of the period by four different Red Hawks: Dyer, Meth, Ryan Kloss and Patrick Nann. After surrendering a goal with just two seconds remaining in the period, Montclair State led 6-2 at the end of the first period. Moravian goalie Benjamin Leavy was pulled after the first period, but would return to play in the third quarter.

The most impressive goal of the night, based on fan reaction, came with just under four minutes remaining in the second period. Already leading 8-2, senior defender Patrick Ferry, running on a breakaway, passed to a diving Nann. The senior attacker then shot the ball directly in front of the goalie, all while still in mid-air, and hit the back of the net. The



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Junior midfielder Kevin Dyer drives to the net during the Red Hawks’ 20-5 win over Moravian yesterday.

flashy goal extended the Red Hawk’s advantage to 9-2. Nann would finish with three goals on the game.

“[Nann] is one of those guys that works very hard,” Meth said. “He has great hands and is a great finisher.”

Three more goals were added before halftime for a 12-2 MSU lead at intermission.

This season’s potential freshman phenom may turn out to be midfielder Kevin Barnes, who had a goal and two assists off the bench in his collegiate debut. “It

was exciting,” Barnes said. “We all went out there and played well.” Exactly half of the goals scored on Wednesday, ten of the 20, were made by non-starters.

Barnes is one of ten freshmen on the team this season who are trying to fit in well with a team that won a championship last season. “We all have good chemistry,” Barnes said. “[The team] expects us to step up and be one big unit.”

The Men’s Lacrosse team (1-0) now travels to Allentown, PA on Saturday to play the Mules of Muhlenberg in the

first of three straight road contests. The team returns to Sprague Field on March 15 for, potentially, their toughest early season test against nationally ranked Wesleyan.

“It is always exciting to play any of the teams in the top twenty,” said Meth. “We can’t look too far ahead, though. We just have to take it one game at a time and we will meet them when we are supposed to.”

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Swimming Sets Records at Metro Championships

Loutchouk, Relay Teams Break School Records in Season’s Final Meet

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The Red Hawks certainly made an impression at the Swimming and Diving Metropolitan Championships this past weekend, setting four new school records at the meet en route to a fifth-place finish for the men and a seventh-place standing for the women.

Montclair State set two of their school records on Friday night, as the men’s 200 yard freestyle relay team of Nikolas Lumkong, Thomas Long, Zak Westerberg and Blaise Lacca finished with a time of 1:26.02. It was good enough for third

and Ashley Vallone set the mark, finishing in sixth place.

“During the morning preliminaries we were three seconds away from becoming the new record-holders,” said Vallone. “By the time finals rolled around we amped each other up so much that we were not going to walk away without the record.”

The big start to the weekend for the Red Hawks was critical as it set the tone for the remainder of the weekend.

“From [the women’s 400 yard medley race] on, we all knew it was going to be a great meet for all the swimmers of MSU, and that everyone would do really well for the remainder of the weekend,” said

Finally, the men’s 400 yard freestyle relay team set a new school record as the team of Michael Smith, Westerberg, Long and Lacca set the mark at 3:11.09, breaking a 14-year old school record. The relay team finished fifth overall in the event.

The Red Hawks also saw a swimmer reach a NCAA qualifying mark on Saturday. Junior Laura Spadoni’s time of 1:06.65 in 100 yard breaststroke met the NCAA’s “B” qualifying mark. This means that Spadoni could be selected to race in the NCAA Division III National Championships in mid-March. Spadoni finished third in the event.

Overall, the MSU men’s team wrapped up the weekend with 540 teams points, good for fifth place out of 18 teams total.

The women’s team finished up with 583 points and a seventh place finish.

Despite not winning the overall team event, the women had their best finish in the Championships since 2006 and the men since 2005 for a program that has improved in the 2009-10 season.

NJAC swimming powerhouse TCNJ handedly won both the men’s and women’s meets, with both teams eclipsing 1000 points. University of Bridgeport’s Women’s team and the Merchant Marine Academy’s Men’s team were the only other squads to top the 1000 point mark on the weekend.

Both MSU swim teams enter the future with optimism. All of the swimmers that took part in setting a new school record at the Championships will be returning next season, setting up the building blocks for what could be a solid swimming program for the next few years.



Juniors Laura Spaldoni (Left) and Galina Loutchouk (Right) led MSU women’s swimming to their best Metro Championship finish since 2006.



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place in the final behind the victorious TCNJ and second place University of Bridgeport teams.

The women’s 400 yard medley relay team would follow that up later that night with a record setting run of their own, clocking in at 4:06.07. This broke a record set just last year as the team of Kelly Abner, Laura Spdoni, Laura Flynn

Vallone.

The records kept coming for MSU on Sunday as junior Galina Loutchouk set a new record in the 1650 yard freestyle at 18:35.56, good enough for sixth place. The mark broke the same record she set at last year’s Metropolitan Championships and with a year ahead of her, expectations are high for next season.

MSU New Swimming Record Times

Galina Loutchouk 1650 Freestyle – 18:35.56
Men’s 200 Freestyle Relay – 1:26.02
Men’s 400 Freestyle Relay – 3:11.09
Women’s 400 Freestyle Relay – 4:06.07

Other Notworthy Times

Ashley Vallone 100 Freestyle – 0:55.29
Laura Spadoni 400 Breaststroke – 1:06.65
Women’s 200 Freestyle Relay – 1:42.69
Women’s 400 Freestyle Relay – 3:43.41

Asimou, Brown Star at Championships

Kris Hunte
STAFF WRITER

This past weekend hosted the NJAC Indoor Track Championships at The Armory in New York City. The Red Hawks of Montclair State finished the weekend with some first place finishes, personal bests and even took home the Outstanding Male Athlete award. Though neither the men’s nor the women’s teams finished on top of the other schools when the final gun sounded, the university still put together a strong performance, especially from its veteran athletes.

The Red Hawk men finished third in the NJAC Championships out of nine total schools. The team was led by senior All-American thrower Eugene Asimou, finishing first in both the Shot Put and Weight Throw with dominating distances. Asimou’s performance garnered him the championship’s Outstanding Male Athlete award. His winning Shot Put throw was a whopping 17.06 meters, 1.3 meters longer than the second place Joseph Carmichael of Rowan. His longest Weight Throw came in his second of his first three throws, measuring at

16.31 meters. Each athlete was given six attempts during the competition, Asimou passed on his final three, still coming out on top. “About winning outstanding male athlete ... I was pleasantly surprised and honored,” explained the senior.

Another MSU athlete who stood out in

“Everybody had a great meet, highlighted with several personal best performances, which is always great to see. We went in there and did what we had to do”

Eugene Asimou
Senior Thrower

the competition was junior and two-time All-American hurdler William Brown. Brown continued his dominance in the 55 meter hurdles by finishing first in both the final as well as the preliminary heat. Fellow Red Hawks Ade Jean-Phillipe

and Jarman Esperance also qualified for the final race, finishing fourth and fifth respectively.

“Everybody had a great meet, highlighted with several personal best performances, which is always great to see,” said Asimou. “We went in there and did what we had to do.”

Other noticeable Red Hawks during the championship were jumper Niyi Adenugba, finishing second in the Triple Jump finals, and Terry Iavorone, who finished fourth in the 800 meter final.

The women finished sixth overall led by sophomore jumper Sara Douma, placing first in the Triple Jump event. The women’s 4x200m and 4x400m relay teams also medaled, finishing third and second respectively. The 4x200 team consists of freshman Ashadaya Patterson, sophomore Asheya Powell, sophomore Katherine Tallaj and junior Judline Tumson. The 4x400 team includes Patterson, sophomore Leah McClish, freshman Nicole Galipo and junior Farida Jawando.

Both the men and the women will return to The Armory on Friday, Feb. 26 for the New York University “FastTrack” Invitational.

Women’s Basketball		
	NJAC	Overall
North		
WPU	9 - 1	21 - 1
MSU	8 - 3	14 - 8
NJCU	3 - 7	7 - 15
Ramapo	2 - 9	9 - 14
RU-Newark	2 - 9	7 - 15
South		
Kean	10 - 0	21 - 1
Rowan	7 - 3	14 - 7
Stockton	5 - 4	11 - 10
TCNJ	5 - 5	12 - 10
RU-Camden	0 - 10	2 - 18
This Week End of NJAC Tournament		
Last Week 2/20 MSU 80, Stockton 70 2/23 Kean 92, MSU 68		

Woods

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thing for months,” said Quinn. “Someone had to fill that vacuum.”

That vacuum was filled non-stop news, rumors and even unconfirmed pictures of Woods at sex rehab. Was it all too much?

“There is a big separation between the celebrity-driven media and journalism,” said Quinn. “Journalism coverage hasn’t been excessive. I don’t consider a paparazzi staking out Tiger’s kids to be a journalist.”

Compared to other athletes’ misbehaviors, Woods’s seems to be less serious, but has provoked a more outrageous response. Quinn brought up players like Kirby Puckett, Marvin Harrison and Eugene Robertson.

All of these players had great demeanor on the field, but many people don’t even know about their troubles. Puckett was charged with sexual conduct and assault. Harrison was involved in a shooting, where it was proved his gun was shot, but it was impossible to determine who was the shooter. Robertson, a night before receiving a good citizen award,

was caught soliciting a prostitute.

The PGA Tour itself was in the wrong at one point. They didn’t get rid of their Caucasian Clause until 1961. In 1990, the Shoal Creek Country Club, an all-white club at the time, was chosen to host the PGA Championship, although, it did change its policies before the tournament.

These situations are all worse than Woods’s infidelity, but the panel made it clear that coverage is different when it comes to an icon like Woods.

Woods’s public apology was his first step in what could be a long process before his image is rebuilt as the world’s greatest golfer.

“If he died today,” said O’Connor, “his scandal will be in the first paragraph of his obituary. His goal is to get that down to the second paragraph, or even later.”

Whether his apology came truly from him or just was a part of a program for his sex rehab, stories on the Woods scandal will not stop being published for a while, even when he gets back on the tour.

“On the course, people will follow every move he makes for a while,” Quinn said. “He will show up in news stories, not just sports stories. It will be a monsoon for a while, but at some point, his play will become just a golf story again.”

Even the atmosphere at the panel just had a certain tense feel to it. Flooded with lights and cameras, the discussion was being shot for *Carpe Diem*, the Montclair State Broadcasting Departments’ public affairs, news and talk program produced by students and faculty, to be aired at a time yet to be determined. We will be sure to post the date, time and channel on our website as soon as it is scheduled.

Woods will not be leaving the news wires anytime soon, so we will all just have to wait to watch the spectacular putts and what many agree to be eventual — the breaking of Nicholas’s mark of 18 majors won.

For now, try to enjoy the rare scene of golf without Woods teeing off. Sounds like an oxymoron, but at least you don’t have to get used it.

Swimming & Diving		
	NJAC	Overall
Men’s		
TCNJ	4 - 0	9 - 1
Rowan	3 - 1	5 - 4
Ramapo	2 - 2	7 - 2
MSU	1 - 3	6 - 5
WPU	0 - 4	7 - 5
Women’s		
TCNJ	4 - 0	8 - 1
Rowan	3 - 1	4 - 4
MSU	2 - 2	5 - 5
Ramapo	1 - 3	5 - 6
WPU	0 - 4	9 - 5
This Week End of Season		
Last Week Metro Championships 2/19-2/21		
Men’s — 5th place Women’s — 7th place		

WHO’S HOT THIS WEEK



Kisandra Ayenbeku
Forward — Women’s Basketball
Ayenbeku had 17 points and 18 rebounds in MSU’s loss against Kean in the NJAC Semifinals last Tuesday.

Jamie Ericson
Forward — Women’s Basketball
Ericson scored a career high 28 points and grabbed 13 rebounds in the Red Hawks’ 80-70 win over Richard Stockton in the first round of the NJAC Tournament.



Morgan MacPhee
Midfielder — Women’s Lacrosse
MacPhee scored four times in the Red Hawks season opening 8-7 loss at York on Saturday.

Eugene Asimou
Thrower — Men’s Track and Field
Asimou was named the Outstanding Male Athlete of the NJAC Championships as he won both the shot put and weight throw competitions on Saturday.



Men’s Lacrosse		
	Skyline	Overall
Kean	0-0	1-0
Maritime	0-0	0-0
Stockton	0-0	0-0
MSU	0-0	0-0
Mt. Saint V.	0-0	0-0
Farmingdale	0-0	0-0
This Week 2/27 @ Muhlenberg 12 p.m.		
Last Week 2/24 MSU 20 Moravian 5		

Women’s Lacrosse		
	Skyline	Overall
Farmingdale	0-0	0-0
Kean	0-0	0-0
Mt. Saint V.	0-0	0-0
Polytechnic	0-0	0-0
Maritime	0-0	0-0
Ramapo	0-0	0-0
Sage	0-0	0-0
MSU	0-0	0-1
This Week 2/27 @ Drew 1 p.m.		
Last Week 2/20 York (PA) 8, MSU 7		

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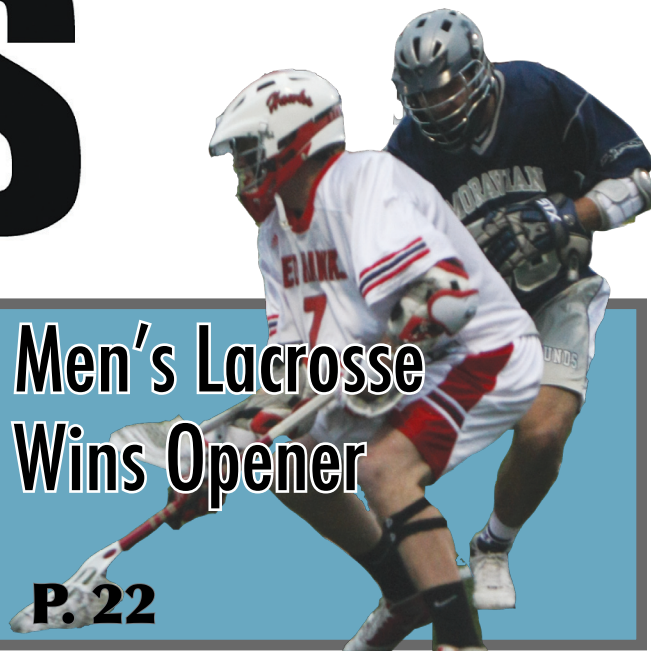
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Women's Basketball's NJAC Run Ends Red Hawks Fall to Kean After Knocking Out Stockton in Round One

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Montclair State University's women basketball team NJAC playoff journey ended on Tuesday. After beating Richard Stockton 80-70 on Saturday afternoon in the first round in the NJAC tournament, the Red Hawks fell 96-68 to the number two ranked Kean Cougars.

On Saturday, the Red Hawks maintained the lead the entire game, despite Stockton's constant efforts to make a comeback.

The heat was on the Red Hawks seven minutes into the second half when Stockton threatened MSU's lead, coming just three points away from tying the game at 54-51. However, the Red Hawks returned the pressure hitting back-to-back three pointers by Jaime Ericson and Kisandra Ayanbeku.

Sophomore Red Hawk guard, Ericson dominated the court, scoring 28 points with 13 rebounds.

"Normally when someone has hot hands on the team, we look to give them the ball more," Ericson said. "Once I had a good shooting streak, the team looked for me more in the second half."

Junior forward Ayanbeku also had a solid outing, scoring 15 points and eight rebounds.

The crowd's energy switched with six minutes left in the game, when Stockton put pressure back on the Red Hawks to bring the score within four points again. The tone quickly switched from the Red Hawks bench chanting "MSU" to Stockton's fans chanting "Defense." MSU's winning chants were drained out by Stockton fans trying to get their team back in the game with the hopes of taking the lead.

"We definitely wanted to win," Ericson said. "We knew that Stockton was going to be aggressive."

Some key points that Ericson attributed to the win would be good rebounds and defense.

Although the Red Hawks never gave up the lead, there were 15 turnovers in the first half alone.

MSU's head coach Karin Harvey stayed on her feet the whole game, keeping the vocal communication between her team constant throughout the game.

Stockton's coach seemed to disappear on the away team's bench until the last five minutes of the game when he finally stood up to call three time-outs.

With the Red Hawks' win, they advanced to the semifinals Tuesday night to face number two ranked Kean University. Unfortunately, the same success the Red Hawks found on Saturday disappeared at Harwood Arena. The Cougars



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Senior guard Jackie Berry goes up for a shot in the Red Hawks 80-70 playoff victory over Richard Stockton College.

scored three seconds into the game and would never relinquish the lead, starting the

game on a 12-2 run. The Red Hawks tried to fight back, but could only come within seven

points of the Cougars. Kean would go on a 13-0 run later on in the first half to give them a 40-20 lead at the 5:07 mark of the first half and a 50-34 half-time lead.

Naimah Clemons, Melissa Beyruti and Cardiss Jackman were responsible for most of Kean's success, as they scored 66 of Kean's 92 points in the game. Clemons scored 25 points on 10 of 17 shooting, Beyruti scored 22 points, including shooting six of nine from three point range, and Jackman knocked down 19 points.

Montclair State did get 17 points each from Ayanbeku and Cristino in the game, with Ayanbeku adding 18 rebounds for a double-double.

However, the Red Hawks otherwise struggled throughout, shooting just 29.6 percent from the field and committing 30 total turnovers. With no other players scoring double digit points on the night, MSU simply could not match the firepower for a Kean team that could contend for the National Championship.

The Red Hawks have been dropped out of the NJAC Tournament for the second straight year by powerhouse Kean, all but ending their chances of a berth in the NCAA Tournament. Montclair State will now wait and see if an ECAC berth is in the works. A tournament spot will extend the Red Hawks 2009-10 postseason.

Sports Panel Discusses the Downfall of Tiger Woods Days After Woods's Apology, a Trio of Experts Analyze the Woods Saga

Nelson DePasquale
SPORTS EDITOR

"Outside of a criminal act or death," said panelist Ian O'Connor, "I have never seen coverage on an athlete like this."

There is no doubt that Tiger Woods has been in the news quite often lately. With the recent sex scandal that shocked

millions, newspapers, columnists and tabloids all over the country have been having a field day commenting on what Woods has, and (especially) what he hasn't said.

The most recent Sports Ethics Panel held at the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center on campus yesterday, strayed from the usual commentary on Tiger Woods. It took a closer, more in-depth and broader look

at Woods' situation.

Hosted by Marc Rosenwig, a broadcasting professor here at Montclair, the panel consisted of three people who are perhaps the most qualified to comment on the Woods controversy.

T.J. Quinn is a reporter for ESPN's enterprise/investigation unit. In the past, Quinn has focused on performance-enhancing drugs in sports. He was a sports reporter for the *New*

York Daily News and is a voter for baseball's Hall of Fame.

Larry Londino is the chair of the broadcasting department for Montclair State University and is the author of *Tiger Woods: A Biography*. Londino has been closely following Woods since 1987.

Ian O'Connor is a columnist for *The Record* and wrote *Arnie & Jack: Palmer, Nicholas, and Golf's Greatest Rivalry*. O'Connor also hosts his own show on ESPN Radio.

The panel covered everything — from the media coverage, to race, to Woods' eventual return. Some of the most riveting discussion came from talking about the media's response to Woods's downfall.

For the past few months, almost every newspaper issue, news program and sports talk show had breaking news or commentary on the scandal. The coverage has been so blown out, that even now it gets to the point where one turns on their TV and asks themselves: why Tiger?

"I think [the coverage] has been excessive," said O'Connor, "but Tiger Woods isn't just a golfer or an athlete. He's one of the five most recognizable people in the world."

"He is the first billionaire athlete," said Londino. "He goes beyond a sports story."

These were just a few of the

comments about why the world is so obsessed with the Tiger Woods saga.

"We turn athletes into icons," said Quinn. "We build them up, then bring them down and make them feel humiliation."

Woods is often referred to as the "Babe Ruth" of his time. Before this scandal, he could do no wrong. Woods did what he did best: winning tournaments. After winning 14 major golf championships and 71 PGA tour events, Woods's car accident is the event that finally showed the public his tragic flaw. He isn't invincible after all.

Woods confronted his humiliation this past Friday when he spoke to the media for the first time about his sex scandal. The fact that he waited so long to make this statement and his choice to not take any questions seemed to upset some.

"If he subtracted out the Buddha references, took out about five minutes of the speech and apologized to the kids who idolized him before he apologized to the business partners, it would have been a perfect apology," said O'Connor.

By not acting sooner, O'Connor explained at the panel, Woods let the story get completely ahead of him, and the story got out of his control.

"When Woods didn't say any-

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T.J. Quinn (left), Larry Londino (middle) and Ian O'Connor (right) were the three panelists at The Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center yesterday morning.